

Sidna Edwards, Wounded Outlaw, Hotly Pursued by Posse

**DR. CECIL STRUCK
BY AUTOMOBILE
AND BADLY HURT**

Collarbone Broken, and
Severely Cut and Bruised
About the Head.

**FEAR NO SERIOUS
AFTER-RESULTS**

Minister Unconscious When
Picked Up in Street, and Was
Later Removed to St. Elizabeth's
Hospital—Injured
While on His Way
Home From Church.

Rev. Russell Cecil, D. D., pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church, was knocked down and injured by an automobile driven by W. J. Stone, of 602 North Avenue, Barton Heights, last night at 8:30 o'clock at the corner of Laurel Street and Park Avenue. His collarbone was broken and he was cut and bruised about the head. Some hours later he was removed to St. Elizabeth's Hospital, where his condition was reported this morning as being favorable.

Dr. Cecil had preached as usual at his church located on Fifth Street near Ninth and after the service walked home accompanied by several members of the congregation. Crossing Monroe Park in company with H. H. McVey, manager of Kinman & Co., Dr. Cecil was making his way to his home at 912 Park Avenue.

Run Completely Over.
Accounts differ as to the exact nature of the accident. The Stone car, it is said, was running from Park Avenue into Laurel, and cut the corner rather sharply, though at no great speed. Dr. Cecil and his companion were crossing Laurel to enter Park Avenue. As the car approached, Dr. Cecil stepped forward hastily, while Dr. Cecil stood still, or stepped back a pace. He was squarely struck, knocked down, and the car passed over him, leaving him unconscious.

With the aid of Mr. Stone, Mr. McVey and others he was lifted into the home of P. Hamilton Baskerville, at 20 North Laurel Street, on the corner of Park Avenue, where Drs. Manfred Cecil and J. Shelton Horsley were summoned. Later an ambulance was called, and just before midnight the minister was moved to St. Elizabeth's Hospital, at the corner of Pine and Grace Streets.

Physician's Statement.
After a critical examination, Dr. Horsley said that he could not tell there was no reason to anticipate serious results. He said: "We found a fracture of the left collarbone and he is badly bruised and cut about the head. Dr. Cecil soon regained consciousness, however, and so far as we can tell there are no internal injuries. While he will require treatment for some time until the broken bone knits, I see no reason to anticipate any more serious consequences."

A small crowd had gathered at the scene of the accident, including several bicycle policemen, who made a report of the occurrence to the Second Police Station, with the name of the owner and number of the car—1551.

It was stated that Mr. Stone did everything possible to render aid after the accident, going himself for physicians and later sending two professional nurses to aid in caring for the injured man.

Leader in His Church.
Dr. Cecil came to Richmond about ten years ago from Selma, Alabama, accepting the pulpit made famous by the late Rev. Moses D. Hoge, D. D. During his ministry here the church has increased in numbers and activity. Only yesterday morning it was determined to increase the number of church officers, and at an election held Messrs. A. Churchill Young and Herbert W. Jackson were elected ruling elders. It had been planned to hold an election for members of the board of deacons next Sunday, and Dr. Cecil had announced a series of evangelistic services to precede the quarterly communion on the first Sunday in April.

Dr. Cecil is one of the most widely known Presbyterian ministers in the South. In the past year he has served as moderator for the Presbyterian General Assembly, moderator for the Presbyterian Synod of Virginia and moderator of East Hanover Presbyterian, thus having held all of the elective honors conferred by his church.

Although late at night, the news of the accident spread rapidly through the neighborhood, and there were many callers at the Cecil home and at the home of Mr. Baskerville. Officers of the church stated that arrangements would be made for a temporary pulpit supply, and that it was hoped that Dr. Cecil would be able to resume his work in a few weeks.

STRIKE SPIRIT WEAKENS

Men Are Losing Heart in Coal Fields of Westphalia.

Berlin, March 17.—In spite of the strikers' denials, the strike spirit apparently is growing weaker in Westphalia. An important miners' meeting at Bochum to-day was apparently attended. No disorders are reported anywhere. A meeting of the miners' delegations at Zwickau has reached a decision to strike to-morrow.

It is said that about 15,000 coal miners will go out on strike in Saxony, the Hanover miners, at a meeting at Harsinghausen to-day, were notified of the employers' refusal to advance wages, and decided to strike immediately. About 2,700 men are involved.



Home of Foster, murdered Commonwealth's Attorney. Street scene in Hillsville.

L. F. Webb, murdered Sheriff.

Presbyterian Church, where Foster was buried Saturday afternoon. Carroll County Courthouse, scene of murder.

FORCES WAY INTO ROSALSKY'S HOME

Shabbily Dressed Man Causes
More Excitement in House
of Jurist.

BELIEVED TO BE INSANE

Detectives and Postal Inspectors
Are Working on Bomb
Mystery.

New York, March 17.—The home of Judge Otto A. Rosalsky, of the Court of General Sessions, where a bomb delivered to him exploded last night, was the scene to-day of renewed excitement, caused by the appearance of a man who wildly kicked at the door and demanded admittance.

The stranger was a shabbily dressed man, who forced his way past the hall attendants in the apartment building on Riverside Drive, and climbed six flights of stairs to see Judge Rosalsky, about some fancied grievance of "persecution by the judges' trust." Police were called and the man was taken to Bellevue for observation as to his sanity. He gave his name as Wolf Berman, and his business as that of a cigar maker.

The police believed him to be insane, but harmless, and in no way connected with the attempt made on Judge Rosalsky's life with the bomb.

Inspector Owen Egan, of the department of combustibles, who was badly injured while examining the bomb in the judge's library, insisted on leaving the hospital to-day, although he suffered from a man's tangled hand and torn face. With face and hand bandaged, he joined a score of the best detectives in the Police Department in investigating the bomb mystery. It was intimated that the police were working on important clues suggested by further talks with Judge Rosalsky.

Often Threatened.
To newspaper men the judge admitted that he had received many threatening letters—one at the time he sentenced Carlisle, a forger, to five years in prison eight weeks ago. This threat was to blow up the Criminal Courts building.

Postal inspectors have joined detectives in the search for the letter-carrier who delivered the bomb yesterday. Another feature of the investigation was the discovery of a white paper, pasted on a Manila paper wrapper. The boxes were about of the same size, and each contained two tiny electric batteries and a spring arrangement designed to produce an electric spark when the cover was removed. That this did not work when Judge Rosalsky opened the box last night is believed to have been due to small particles of dirt which had accumulated about the spring.

Inspector Egan, who was examining the bomb when it exploded, believes he owes his life to the fact that the white paper in his coat was stuffed with heavy documents. Without this protection he believes some of the slugs from the bomb would have torn into his body. His coat was torn and several slugs were found lodged against the papers.

Proceeds for Reply.
Washington, March 17.—Senator Joseph M. Dixon, chairman of the Roosevelt executive committee, to-night addressed a letter to Representative William D. McKinley, director of the national tariff bureau, pressing for a reply to the "challenge" to presidential preference primaries.



William M. Foster, murdered Commonwealth's Attorney.

JUDGE STAPLES IS COMING TO-DAY

Telephones Governor That He
Will Arrive With Baldwin
for Conference.

The safe arrival of Floyd Allen, Victor Allen and Byrd Marion and the guard, with Attorney-General Williams and Judge Staples in Roanoke was telephoned to Governor Mann at 5 o'clock yesterday morning by Judge Staples. Floyd Allen was resting well and seemed to be recovering from his wounds. The Governor was further informed that Judge Staples and Detective D. O. Baldwin would be in Richmond to hold a conference with him to-day, while the Attorney-General was en route to Wytheville, where he would remain until Friday.

In his official report Judge Staples stated that of the ten desperadoes actually engaged in the shooting, five were under arrest, and five, including Sidna Allen, who is believed to have fired the bullet that killed Judge Massie, have gathered the clan around them in a mountain retreat. Nine of the guilty parties were indicted by the special grand jury, each on four counts, and the tenth will be given the same treatment as soon as further evidence is secured.

Judge Staples added that the detective force would make an immediate advance against the men in the mountains, and their capture seemed certain. In a telephone conversation with Detective W. B. Baldwin later in the day, the Governor was informed that the fugitive outlaws were armed only with revolvers and shotguns, thus being at a disadvantage with the detective posse which is armed with Springfield army rifles, deadly at a mile.

HARD BLOW TO DEFENSE

Chemist Tells of Finding Morphine in Girl's Stomach.

New Orleans, La., March 17.—Attorneys and expert witnesses in the defense of Miss Annie Crawford, on trial for the slaying of her sister, Elsie, with morphine last September, while acting as nurse at her bedside, conferred to-day.

The testimony of Dr. Al Metz, city chemist, who testified that he found crystallized morphine in the Crawford girl's stomach, and William Riech, secretary to the coroner, was considered a hard blow to the defense, as it had been indicated that the principal contention of the defense would be that death was caused by hemorrhage of the brain and not morphine.

It is expected that the defense will take up the cross-examination of Dr. Metz to-morrow.

BLUE RIDGE CRAGS SHELTER FUGITIVES

**TIME TAKEN WITH
TARIFF REVISION**

Both Houses of Congress Will
Be Occupied With Schedules
This Week.

Washington, March 17.—Tariff revision will continue to occupy both houses of Congress this week. When the House passes the excise income tax bill on Tuesday and submits a woolen schedule revision to the Democratic caucus, possibly by the end of the week, the revision program there will have been ended.

The Democratic revision measures are piling up in the Senate. The Finance Committee's adverse report on the House Iron and steel bill will be made this week. Chairman Penrose and his Republican colleagues will make an elaborate statement on their attitude on the revision bills. The Finance Committee will hear Chairman Emery, of the Tariff Board, on Tuesday on the House chemical tariff bill, hearings on which probably will occupy the President's Undersecretary of the House free sugar bill will follow the chemical bill.

Meantime, the Democrats and progressive Republicans are no nearer an understanding, though some of them express confidence that the talk of common ground might be reached on some tariff legislation.

Determined on Speed.
Democratic leaders in the House are determined to speed up legislation. Some members of the Ways and Means Committee and many other Democrats are insisting upon free wool, to which Democratic Leaders Undersecretary is to report a schedule which would conform to the conference report on schedule K, of the present law, last summer, which proposed a 27 per cent. ad valorem tariff on raw wool.

Disposition of the excise bill in the House Tuesday will open the way for further consideration of appropriation bills. The post-office bill, which would establish a parcels post system, will be considered under a special rule. Opponents of a parcels post have opposed the bill on the ground that it is a new legislation, a point the new rule is designed to meet.

The Senate on March 25 will vote on the Stephenson election case. The Wisconsin Senator has been exonerated of allegations of bribery and corruption by one section of the Senate Election Committee and condemned by another.

High Up in Mountains, Allen
Outlaws Defy Attempts
to Arrest Them.

POSSE'S PURSUIT FUTILE

Organized Search by Militia
May Be Necessary for
Their Capture.

[By Associated Press.]
Hillsville, Va., March 17.—Two thousand feet above sea level, among the crags and caves of the Blue Ridge Mountains, the Allen gang, who demonstrated their contempt of constituted law by a massacre of the judge, the prosecutor and the sheriff of the Carroll county court last Thursday, continued to-day to defy capture.

The day's search by a posse of seventy-five detectives and citizen volunteers demonstrated that unless the militia is sent here to begin a systematic siege of the hiding places of the outlaws they never may be brought to answer to the indictments for murder returned here yesterday. For such a plan a camping site was selected here for March 26. The arrangement is likely to be postponed.

Those who know the paths and passes of the high land and the points of vantage from which outlaws could ward off an attacking force with least hurt to themselves, say that the Allens unquestionably are concealed behind the overhanging precipices of Devil's Den, halfway between here and Mount Airy, N. C. There, with provisions and ammunition, of which it is said, they have plenty, an attacking force would find the aim of the Allens deadly. Some think it may be necessary to dynamite the mountain crags.

No Mistaking Meaning of Pastor.
Quiet prevailed in Hillsville to-day. The village pastor preached in favor of capital punishment at all times, and there was no mistaking whom he meant. From the countryside came the curious on horseback, armed, by ox carts and rigs of every description, fording the high water of the creeks and climbing the steep hills to the summit where reposes the hamlet of Hillsville.

Dexter Goad, clerk of the court, with a bullet in his left cheek and a band-aid.

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Floyd Allen Under Guard in Cell of Roanoke Jail

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Roanoke, Va., March 17.—Floyd Allen, Victor Allen and Byrd Marion, who arrived here this morning at 4 o'clock, are in the Roanoke jail, each in a separate cell. Floyd Allen is under guard, the authorities fearing he might attempt to take his life. He stood the trip splendidly and is recovering from his wounds rapidly. The guard at his cell is changed every three hours.

Efforts to get interviews from the Allens proved fruitless to-day. Judge Walter R. Staples having given positive orders that the prisoners were not to see any one. So fearful are the authorities of Floyd Allen making an attempt to end his existence that they have been giving him his food on paper plates and water in paper cups. He has asserted that he will kill himself at the first opportunity.

United States Revenue Agents Weaver and Hendricks returned from Hillsville to-night. They report that they seized a still at 10 o'clock Thursday morning, located between Fancy Gap and Devil's Den. They were unable to learn who was the proprietor of the place. The still was near the places owned by several of the Allens. On their way to Hillsville they passed Sidna Allen's house in the afternoon and saw him there. The officers had heard of the tragedy then, but did not know Sidna Allen had been implicated in it. They are perhaps the last persons outside of members of the clan to have seen Sidna Allen.

CLIMBING HIGHER INTO MOUNTAINS SEEKING SAFETY

Scant Two Hours Ahead of Pursuers, His
Capture Is Regarded as Certain and
May Lead to Arrest of Other
Fugitives.

**OFFICERS GET NO GLIMPSE
OF ALLENS WHO ARE HIDDEN
IN BLUE RIDGE FASTNESSES**

Trial of Court-Murderers Will Be Postponed Till
April Term, When It Is Hoped All Will Have
Been Taken—While Floyd and Victor Allen
Lie in Roanoke Jail Under Close Guard, Their
Wives Prepare Dinner for Pursuers of Remaining
Members of Gang—A Day of Tense Ex-
citement in Hillsville.

Floyd Allen Claims Self-Defense

Hillsville, Va., March 17.—The only statement that has been made by Floyd Allen concerning the shooting of Judge Massie was given to one of his guards here on Thursday night. He said:

"I shot in self-defense, and I had a right to shoot. When the judge started to sentence me I said: 'Boys, I won't be taken!' and then I tumbled in my coat pocket for some papers I wanted to find. My friends thought I was getting my gun to shoot, and so they began to shoot, and then I did, too."

Further than this, Floyd Allen has made no statement. He sent for his brother, Jasper, called "Black" Allen, asking him to come to see him in jail, but Jasper, who was in town, refused to go to the jail. Floyd Allen's wife, who was and still is at the Allen farm, seven miles away, did not visit her husband while he was incarcerated.

It is stated openly on the streets here by people who know him intimately that Sidna Allen has declared that he will commit suicide rather than suffer arrest.

An interesting statement was made to-day by an attorney of Hillsville, who said: "If the Allens want a lawyer to defend them they will have to go outside of this county to get one. Lawyers of Carroll county have decided that none of them will take the case. I hope the trial will be a long time delayed, for Floyd Allen said he would not go to jail, and I like to think of him in jail, where he said he would not go."

BY ALEXANDER FORWARD

HILLSVILLE, VA., MARCH 17.—CLIMBING HIGHER AND HIGHER INTO THE BLUE RIDGE, SIDNA EDWARDS, A NEPHEW OF FLOYD ALLEN, TO-NIGHT IS BUT A SCANT TWO HOURS AHEAD OF HIS PURSUERS, AND THERE IS EVERY PROSPECT THAT HIS CAPTURE WILL HAVE BEEN EFFECTED BEFORE DAWN. HE HAS A BADLY INJURED FOOT, AND WHEN THE LAST REPORT CAME FROM THE MOUNTAINS THE POSSE WAS GAINING RAPIDLY ON HIM. A PART OF THE POSSE RETURNED TO HILLSVILLE AT 10 O'CLOCK TO-NIGHT, LEAVING EIGHT MEN ON THE TRAIL OF THE WOUNDED FUGITIVE.

THE RETURNING DETECTIVES REPORTED THAT THEY HAD GOT NO GLIMPSE OF ANY OF THE ALLENS. BUT WITH THE EXPECTED CAPTURE OF EDWARDS THEY HOPE TO SECURE INFORMATION WHICH WILL LEAD TO THEIR ARREST.

At the Sidna Edwards home the posse found two whiskey stills hidden under piles of fodder. At Floyd Allen's home a still and twenty gallons of whiskey were found, and these were confiscated by the officers.

While the thick mountain laurel serves as an effective shield for the outlaws, the detectives say that the pursuers can be seen for miles, and thus their task is made doubly difficult and hazardous.

The posse took dinner this evening at the home of Floyd Allen. Their hostesses were Mrs. Floyd Allen and Mrs. Victor Allen, whose husbands are now in jail at Roanoke. There were twenty-two members of the "dinner party," and those who returned here to-night said that they were "treated in handsome fashion."

Day of Tense Excitement in Hillsville

BY ALEXANDER FORWARD.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Hillsville, Va., March 17.—Hillsville waited all day in a tense excitement for the return of the party of officers who left early this morning to make the second attempt to arrest the men indicted for Thursday's quintuple murder. Fifteen detectives, special constables and three militiamen departed at 8 o'clock, in nowise disheartened because of the failure of their first invasion in the Eden territory. It has been the impression that some of the Allens and the Edwardses will surrender when brought to bay, but that Sidna Allen, who is supposed to have fired the shot that killed Judge Massie, will fight to the death. Few believe that the affair will end before the soil of Carroll county is again stained with blood.

It was supposed that the fugitives are in the mountains. The officers were seen early this afternoon at a point which made it certain they had passed the home of Sidna Allen some time before. They were then at least fifteen miles from Hillsville and rapidly lengthening the distance, which would seem to preclude their return until a late hour to-night at least.

Details of Saturday's failure are few, for the reason that there is little to tell. The officers searched every nook and corner of Sidna Allen's home and place. They overturned the hay in the barn, examined pig sties, searched the cellars and garrets, had a look into the bureau drawers and probed the chimneys. Although approaching in battle array, with guns cocked and with visions of slaughter, the detectives and constables found nothing more formidable than a black kitten, which advanced to welcome them.

Amazed by His Magnificent Home.

Upon their return the officers were filled with amazement that one possessing such a magnificent home should have placed himself in such a position. It was constructed at a cost of \$30,000. The floors are of hardwood, the finishings are of quartered oak; the house is lighted with acetylene and is fitted up with modern plumbing, a water tank supplying the pressure.

It became known to-day that it is not intended to go into the trial of the Allens and the other indicted men on March 26. The grand jury was adjourned to that day in the hope that an additional light will be thrown on the facts surrounding the murders and that further indictments may be considered and presented. Acting Commonwealth's Attorney S. Floyd Landreth will then ask that the March term of the court be adjourned and that a special term be called for some day in April. By that time it is hoped all persons indicted both yesterday and on March 26 will be in custody and ready for trial.

Soldiers, as has already been stated, probably will be necessary in guarding the officers of the law during the hearing. It is now certain that so far as the Commonwealth is concerned the trial will be held in Hillsville. There

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